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SUBJ: QUARRELING BETWEEN GOP AND CNA RESUMES

BEGIN SUMMARY. SEVERAL "POPULAR ORGANIZATIONS" CREATED BY THE GOP SUCH AS THE GOVERNMENT-CREATED LABOR CONFEDERATION (CTRP) AND THE GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED NATIONAL AGRARIAN CONFEDERATION (CNA) HAVE BEEN SLIPPING FROM GOP CONTROL AND INCREASINGLY HAVE CRITICIZED THE MORE PRAGMATIC POLICIES OF PERU'S SECOND PHASE UNDER PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ. RECENTLY THE POLICIES AND MANAGEMENT OF THE CNA UNDER AVELINA MAR ARIAS' LEADERSHIP AGAIN HAVE BECOME A SOURCE OF POLITICAL CONTROVERSY. END SUMMARY.

1. THE PERUVIAN NATIONAL AGRARIAN CONFEDERATION (CNA) ANNOUNCED NOVEMBER 10 THAT ITS CONTROVERSIAL PRESIDENT, AVELINO MAR ARIAS, AND OTHER CNA LEADERS HAD BEEN DETAINED THE DAY PREVIOUSLY BY PERUVIAN SECURITY FORCES AT A CNA MEETING IN THE INTERIOR OF THE COUNTRY. THE SAME SOURCE THE NEXT DAY ANNOUNCED THAT THE CNA LEADERS HAD BEEN RELEASED. GOP INTERIOR MINISTER LUIS CISNEROS VIZQUERRA, IN A NOVEMBER 13 PRESS INTERVIEW, ATTACKED CNA LEADER MAR FOR LYING TO THE CAMPESINOS, DENIED THAT CNA DIRECTORS HAD BEEN DETAINED, ALLUDED TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IRREGULARITIES IN ADMINISTRATION OF CNA FUNDS AND CRITICIZED THE POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF MAR, ESPECIALLY THE LATTER'S CHARGE THAT THE GOP HAD MADE A PACT WITH APRA. MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE LUIS ARBULU IBANEZ INITIALLY COMMENTED ON THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS HIS MINISTRY ENJOYED WITH CNA BUT IN A LATER PRESS CONFERENCE ALSO DENOUNCED MAR AND OTHER CNA LEADERS.

2. IN A PRESS CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 15 MAR CHALLENGED THE INTERIOR MINISTER'S VIEWS AS CALUMNY, DECLARED HIMSELF INDEPENDENT POLITICALLY ALTHOUGH A SOCIALIST AND REJECTED ACUSATIONS OF MANIPULATING EITHER FUNDS OF THE CNA OR OPINIONS OF CAMPESINOS LEADERS FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES. THE COMMUNIST LABOR CONFEDERATION (CGTP) THEN ISSUED A STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR MAR AND THE FAR LEFT MAGAZINE MARKA JOINED IN WITH PRO-MAR ARTICLES. IN AN EFFORT TO COOL THE DISPUTE, THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE NOVEMBER 17 REPORTEDLY SUGGESTED THAT "DIALOGUE" WAS THE PROPER WAY TO RESOLVE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE MINISTRY AND THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATION BUT JULIO CRUZADO, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE APRA RELATED LABOR CONFEDERATION (CTP) JOINED IN THE FIGHT BY ASSAILING MAR FOR TRYING TO TURN THE CNA INTO A POLITICAL INSTRUMENT IN THE SERVICE OF COMMUNISM.

3. THE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATION CREATED THREE YEARS AGO BY THE VELASCO REGIME, AND THE CURRENT GOP AUTHORITIES HAS GONE ON FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. MINISTER OF INTERIOR CISNEROS APPEARS TO BE TESTING THE STRENGTH OF MAR AND HIS ASSOCIATES WITHIN THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATION WHICH, ALTHOUGH A CREATION OF THE GOP, NOW IS INCREASINGLY OPPOSED TO THE MORE MODERATE POLICIES OF THE MORALES BERMUDEZ GOVERNMENT. LEFTIST GROUPS AND THE GOP PROBABLY WILL CONTINUE THEIR ARGUMENTS OVER THESE GROWING DIVERGENCIES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATION. OTHERS MAY JOIN IN THE QUARREL AS THE POLITICAL SCENE BECOMES MORE ACTIVE.

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IN FACT, IT IS DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE HOW MUCH REAL POLITICAL INFLUENCE MARS OR THE CNA ACTUALLY HAS IN TERMS OF THE 1978 ELECTIONS. THESE WILL BE LARGELY DETERMINED BY THE URBAN POPULACE OF LIMA-CALLAO AND TWO OR THREE OTHER URBAN AREAS RATHER THAN BY ILLITERATE, NON-VOTING CAMPESINOS. BY 1980, HOWEVER, WHEN ILLITERATES ARE EXPECTED TO VOTE UNDER THE NEW CONSTITUTION THE CNA WITH A CLAIMED MEMBERSHIP OF FOUR MILLION COULD BE A POWERFUL FORCE.

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